the need to move towards alternative to agrochemicals; and

(b) whether it is a fact that two more 'green' videos have since been brought out with INTACH support and if so, whether government would arrange for early screening of these videos by Doordarshan and also nominate them for award competitions at suitable fora?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICW AND DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. R. KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) The film dealing with Pesticide residues was partly supported by the Department of Science and Technology.

(b) "Green" videos have been brought out by the Indian National Trust for Arts and Culture Heritage (INTACH) which are available for demonstration/viewing. INTACH, a voluntary organisation plans to have these films on organic farming telecast on Doordarshan and also enter these into competitions.

Delhi's ability to survive earthquake

4385. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the whole of Delhi was unlikely to survive a 1985 Mexican earthquake like shock, as per the news item entitled: 'Delhi unfit to bear strong quake' which appeared in the Hindustan Times, dated 25th July, 1993; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. R. KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) and (b) The matter has not been correctly reported. As a matter of fact, National Geophysical Research Institute (NGRI), Hyderabad has not undertaken any such study about Delhi.

Science wings in Indian missions abroad

4386. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Science Wings in the Indian Missions in Bonn, Moscow, Tokyo and Washington D. C. have failed in fulfilling the object for which they were created;

(b) whether it is a fact that they do not cooperate with Indians abroad and foreigners who seek their guidance and assistance;

(c) what is latest information which such science wings have transmitted to India which was otherwise not available to the country; and

(d) whether any evaluation of such Science wings will be made?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONIC AND DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. R. KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) Information relating to latest developments in science and technology, including new programmes, technical know-hows and future trends, is regularly communicated.

(d) Such evaluation forms a built-in part of the departmental assessment process.

Manufacture of Polio Vaccines with French Assistance

4387. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA:
DR. BAPU KALDATE:
Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Vaccines Corporation Limited, a public sector undertaking was set up in 1989 to manufacture polio vaccines with French assistance;

(b) whether it is a fact that even after having spent crores of rupees the first phase of production schedule to commence by the close of the year is no where in sight and that the promoters of the ambitious technology transfer project are doubting the economic viability of the project;

(c) if so, what is the estimated expenditure incurred, on the developmental work of the project;

(d) what are the impediments in the completion of the project; and

(e) what steps have been taken by Government to remove the constraints and what is the time schedule if any, fixed for the completion of